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Amendments to the Claims: This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) Process for distributing information contained in a computer database in an easily transportable form;

the process comprising the steps of:

breaking down the information contained in the database into units each comprising with a single predetermined number of symbols,

transmitting the units through a server and a computer communication network from a medium on which the information is saved, to computer equipment connected to a printer;

activating the computer equipment and the printer via a sequence of menus to access the units on line, to select the units containing the information in which the user is interested, and to control printing of these units on a printable medium using the printer,

the process further comprising a step of loading, or downloading a software printing process which includes the steps of formatting each unit of the retrieved information on a single sheet of paper in the form of a four-page booklet and controlling the printer to print the information in the form of the four-page booklet.

2. (Previously Presented) Process according to claim 1, wherein the software printing process includes the steps of:

breaking down the symbols contained in each unit into four frames ordinally numbered first to fourth following an order of the pages of the booklet,

laying out the four frames on a front side of the sheet of paper such that the first and third frames are located on one diagonal of the sheet, and the second and fourth frames are located on an other diagonal of the sheet,

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folding the sheet by rotating the second and third frames by 180° from the first and fourth frames,

whereby the user will have a four-page booklet after folding.

3. (Currently Amended) Process according to claim 2, wherein:

the sheet is a rectangular sheet and,

if the ~~memo-booklet~~ is in landscape format, the folding step includes the step of folding the printed sheet along a first fold line approximately in a median line parallel to a longer side of the sheet,

if the ~~memo-booklet~~ is in portrait format, the folding step includes the step of folding the printed sheet along a first fold line approximately in a median line parallel to a shorter side of the sheet,

whereby after the folding step, the first fold fixes the first and fourth pages as outside pages and the second and third pages as inside pages.

4. (Previously Presented) Process according to any one of claims 1 to 3, such that the software printing process also comprises a step of printing advertising messages in predetermined locations the predetermined locations being arranged at least one of vertically, in the margins of the frames, or in the fourth frame.

5. (Currently Amended) A System for distributing information contained in a computer database in an easily transportable form comprising:

means for dividing the information into units each unit having a single predetermined number of symbols;

computer equipment coupled to a global information network and accessible to the user;

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a server connected through the global information network to the database and the computer equipment such that the user can access the units on line and select those units containing information in which the user is interested,

a printer connected to the computer equipment;

wherein the computer equipment includes at least one control device that is employed by the user to activate the computer equipment and the printer and to activate optional menus, whereby the user controls printing of the units on a printable medium;

software printout means configured to be loaded or downloaded into the computer equipment;

the software printout means being configured to print each unit of the information selected by the user as a memo in the form of a four-page booklet on a single sheet of paper, using the printer.

6. (Previously Presented) System according to claim 5, wherein the printable medium is a rectangular sheet and the software printing means comprises means of printing each unit on a front side of the rectangular sheet, including:

means for breaking down the symbols contained in the unit into four frames ordinarily numbered first through fourth, in the order of the pages of the booklet,

means for laying out the four frames on the front of the sheet of paper such that the first and third frames are located on one diagonal of the rectangular sheet, and the second and fourth frames are located on an other diagonal of the rectangular sheet, and

means for folding the rectangular sheet by rotating the second and third frames by 180° from the first and fourth frames.

whereby the user has a four-page booklet after folding.

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7. (Previously Presented) System according to claim 6, further comprising:

if the memo is in landscape format means for printing a first fold line approximately along a median line of the rectangular sheet parallel to a longest side of the rectangular sheet,

if the memo is in portrait format means for printing a first fold line approximately along a median line parallel to a shortest side of the rectangular sheet,

such that, after folding, the first and fourth pages are fixed as outside pages and the second and third pages are fixed as inside pages.

8. (Previously Presented) System according to any one of the previous claims 5 and 7, wherein the software printing means further comprise means for printing advertising messages in predetermined locations selected from a group consisting of vertically, in margins of the frames, or in the fourth frame.

9. (Currently Amended) Computer terminal connected to a global communication network suitable to distribute information contained in a computer database in a form that a user having access to such a computer terminal can easily transport and handle, wherein:

the information is separated into units each containing a single predetermined number of symbols.

the information is provided to the computer terminal from the database through a server and the global information network or through a tangible information medium, the computer terminal comprising:

means configured to provide the user with access to the units and to allow the user to select the units that contain the information in which the user is interested,

a computer,

a printer connected to the computer;

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control devices activating the computer using the menus displayed by the computer,

software printing means configured to be loaded from a CD-ROM or downloaded from a global communications network, the software printing means being configured to control the printer to print the selected units of information as respective four-page booklets on respective rectangular sheets of paper,

10. (Previously Presented) Computer terminal according to claim 9, wherein the software printing means comprise means of printing each unit on the front of one of the rectangular sheets of paper comprising:

means for breaking down the symbols contained in each unit into four frames ordinally numbered first through fourth in an order corresponding to the page numbers in the booklet,

means for arranging the four frames on the front of the rectangular sheet of paper such that the first and third frames are located on one diagonal of the rectangular sheet, and the second and fourth frames are located on another diagonal of the rectangular sheet, and

means for folding the rectangular sheet by rotating the second and third frames by 180° from the first and fourth frames,

whereby when the folding is complete, the user has a four-page booklet.

11. (Previously Presented) Computer terminal according to claim 10, wherein the software printout means comprises

if the memo is in landscape format, means for printing the rectangular sheet to include a first fold line approximately along a median line parallel to a longest side of the rectangular sheet,

if the memo is in portrait format, means for printing a first fold line approximately along a median line parallel to a shortest side of the rectangular sheet,

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whereby after folding by the folding means, the first fold fixes the first and fourth pages as outside pages and pages 2 and 3 as inside pages.

12. (Previously Presented) Computer terminal according to any one of claims 9 to 11 wherein the software printout means comprise means of printing advertising messages in predetermined locations selected from a group consisting of: vertically, in margins of the frames or in the fourth frame.